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It will be noticed that the present number contains a full account of the University Banquet, and for that reason the usual Departments of "The Gazette" have been held in abeyance until next week.

Editorials.

THE UNIVERSITY BANQUET.

There can be little or no doubt in the minds of any who were present at the University Banquet, that it was in nearly all respects a complete success. There is great cause for congratulation at the un-

broken harmony that distinguished it from the time the large crowd filed into the dining hall and took their places, without confusion or error, until the strains of the National Anthem fittingly ended the first University dinner.

Of the material part of the dinner nothing more need be said than that in this respect the Windsor maintained its reputation for cuisine and service. Had it been possible, however, to have commenced the banquet more nearly at the time fixed, opportunity would have offered, with a somewhat long programme, for an interlude of promenade and conversation, or an extension of the post-prandial frolics of the convivial spirits that remained. There was nothing of overbearing solemnity, from the presence of the University's great men, or stiffness of manner, from the fact that the ladies were there. In respect of Chancellor, governors, and professors, their presence gave the occasion dignity, while their patriotic and earnest speeches were a pleasure and profit to all; while, as for the ladies, the only regret we have heard is that there were not more of them.

Where the great object of such a gathering is, undoubtedly, to draw closer all the departments and features of the University, the success of the past dinner, and of all to come, must greatly depend upon how far this object has been attained. The present gathering brought a large number of graduates and undergraduates into more immediate and social contact with those who are concerned with the management of the University, who had been in it and with it during the time of its early struggles, had marked its advance, and themselves been contributors to the constant progress of McGill. In this there was profit to both, and the opportunity the undergraduates had of making known the status and feeling of their several Faculties to men who are in general eager to know more of those whom they rule and teach, was one which no other occasion could offer. Hitherto there have been two distinct lives in McGill, and the sole opportunity for undergraduate expression was when the solitary Valedictorian was expected to make the fun on the solemn occasions when classes are dispersed and friendships broken up.

It must, however, not be forgotten that pleasure is, perhaps, more than profit, an object of all dinners, and the University dinner is no exception to the

rule. On this occasion all seemed to enjoy themselves; the large number present, the varied character of the gathering, the abundant opportunity to meet with one's particular friends, and the pleasing and easy style of the speakers, made monotony almost impossible, while the music, far the best that has yet been heard at any of our gatherings, was of itself a great part of the success of the event. Many, perhaps, would have preferred the music to have been of a more lively nature; the Glee Club will be better able to judge when the next occasion comes round.

As to the speakers, we may hardly venture to criticise the efforts of the several notable men who were heard during the evening. Suffice it to say, Sir William Dawson has seldom done better, and the noble and eloquent words of Dean Trenholme must have roused a feeling of emulation in the heart of every undergraduate and younger graduate present. Judge Church, a governor of the University, in the ten or fifteen minutes he spoke, in well-chosen language and dignified expression, made the past and present of McGill interesting, almost to novelty, to those who heard him. Of our guests, Chief-Justice Johnson's speech was characterized by its admirable expression and feeling reference to his friends in the University, which made him at home with those whom, he said, he was among, but, he regretted, not of. Principal Adams, of Lennoxville, was alone to speak of other Universities, almost without being notified; he was equal to the occasion. Of the representatives of the various Faculties, Arts secured in Mr. Peers Davidson a man who ably represented his Faculty, and spoke in a manner that did him and the entire undergraduate body credit. Mr. Shuttleworth, for Science, was loyal, and while he elicited the cheers of his constituents by his manly expressions on behalf of his Faculty, said no more than won for him the respect and good-will of all who heard him. Mr. Evans, responding for Medicine, was earnest in expressing the hope his Faculty might yet unite with the others in making the future University banquets complete, and give them that element which might make their success perfect. Needless to say his wishes secured a hearty response from his audience. The representative from the new Faculty of Comparative Medicine was a welcomed speaker; his invitation to the ladies was cordial, but his feeling of pride in the exploits of his Faculty in the base-ball field did not elicit much applause. McGill, evidently, has yet to cultivate the attractions of the diamond.

In their first University Banquet, all connected with McGill have reason for feelings of congratulation and pride. The success of the first endeavour gives

promise of great things to come, when experience will enable the few defects of the past to be remedied, and there will be, as we earnestly hope, a union of every element in the University in a determined effort to make the future banquets the great social event of each session—an event to be looked forward to, and when past to be remembered.

At the same time that our banquet was being held with so much *eclat*, a terrible misfortune befell a sister University. Toronto's noble University building is in ruins, and its destruction is a truly rational loss. Though the property of a state that is capable and willing to rebuild, and already we hear of greater magnificence in the erection to come, much has passed away that no money and no succession of ages to come will ever be able to replace. In the library and museum were treasures unique and invaluable, and, though not an old building, associations dear to the hearts of hundreds of graduates are gone. No new building, however gorgeous or complete, will ever entirely replace the one in its ruins, and we must wait for time to gather around the College to be, the associations that will make its history, and to replete it with works of learning and treasures of science and art. Among the expressions of sympathy that are not wanting to Toronto in its calamity, ours will not be the last in its sincerity and depth.

Contributions.

ARTS BEHIND THE MOUNTAIN.

Two months ago, through the kind efforts of Mr. Botterell, membership tickets for the Athletic Club House were presented to the students of the various Faculties of McGill. It seemed as though the boys had considered that, which they obtained without effort or expense on their own part, of insufficient value to be utilized. This idea would be entirely false, and it is due to those who had already made some move in the matter to have this apparent apathy explained.

Almost immediately upon the receipt of the tickets, the 2nd year of the Arts' Faculty adopted the idea of a tramp to the Club House as the most practical and pleasant method of showing their appreciation of the kindness of those to whom the presentation was due, and it was only owing to a heavy rain-fall on the night appointed that this fully-organized tramp fell through.

There was no time to arrange for another before the holidays, and so the boys remained quiescent.

On Saturday, Feb. 8th, mainly through the efforts of the same year—the senior years, doubtless, being too fully occupied to take the affair in hand—the

first annual Arts' tramp became a *fait accompli*. The heavy snowfall, which had been going on for some twenty hours, did not seem in the least to diminish athletic ardour, for at the appointed hour, 5.15, about 40 men assembled at the gates with banner and song, especially song. Starting from there, some in shoes and some without, away the trampers went at a rapid pace, bound for the back of the mountain. H. Jaquays, '92, led the way on shoes. Past Dr. Johnston's, where a pause was made of sufficient duration to cheer the Dean, up Côte des Neiges at a rate which seemed to tell on the entire band, especially on those who were destitute of snow-shoes, and found the deep snow rather in the way of their feet. Woe to the leader of these guardians if the "dangerous rear" had once overhauled him, but to do this they had neither speed nor wind. In less than an hour after the departure from the College portals, the boys had gathered in the Club House porch, and forming up, enquired in a voice of thundering unanimity—"What's the matter with old McGill?"

Warm as they were from their quick march, the boys did not seem at all oppressed by the glowing coals that illumined the immense fire-place and cast a cheerful glow over the surrounding scene.

Coats and shoes were quickly doffed, and while our hungry trampers were awaiting the call to supper, Mr. Botterell made his appearance, and was duly presented to the "intelligent assembly" as "Our guest."

Seven o'clock was drawing near when A. R. Hall, President of the Faculty, took the lead to the festal board. What a supper! Medicine had advised future tramps (?) to have a *ménu* submitted for approval, and here, dish by dish, the *ménu* was submitted, and met with hearty and practical approval. The way the soup disappeared was a caution, and as some one facetiously observed, the boys seemed to be training for the approaching University Banquet. With many gay stories and much bright repartée the heavier part of the meal was disposed of, and the table quickly cleared of its load of cold turkey, beef, and ham.

Amidst ringing cheers, Hall rose at the head of the table to propose the time-honored toast of "Her Majesty's" health. "The Faculty" followed, proposed by G. MacDougall, '91, in an easy and pleasant manner, which is peculiarly his own. Hall, '90, responded, urging a closer union of the several years, the want of which Mr. MacDougall lamented.

S. Carmichael, '92, "as an Irishman should," called on the company to drink to the "Directors and Advisory Board of the Club House." In answer to this, Mr. Botterell gave a short and interesting sketch of the building's existence, pointing out its advantages to young men in general, and to students in particular.

Donahue, '93, having failed to appear, Davey, '92, was called upon to propose the "Class of '90." In his few but telling remarks, Mr. Davey showed his ability for extemporaneous speaking. S. W. Mack, '90, answered on behalf of his year with his usual eloquence. He called the attention of the students to College institutions, especially the Literary Society

and THE GAZETTE. Upon his resuming his seat, J. Taylor, '92, offered as a subject for toasting, "The Freshies"—"the children of the College, yet men and gentlemen, every one of them." Mansur and White, both in this state of apparent greenness, though they see it not themselves, spoke on behalf of that influential body, showing forth their victories in the field of war.

W. Kollmyer, '92, introduced the toast of "Our Guest." Once more the water-glasses tinkled together, and once more the well-worn words, "For he's a jolly good fellow," stood in good stead. Mr. Botterell thanked the students for the reception they had given him, closing his remarks by some good advice to the Freshmen, to the effect that they should show their superiority in the William Molson Hall. But when did Freshies ever receive good advice, least of all of this nature?

No individual rose to toast "Our College," but with, undoubtedly, intense feeling and sensibly intense voices, the entire gathering joined in "Another health before we part—the health of old McGill, boys."

In a wonderfully short time the table was cleared away, the curtains drawn, and the large dining-hall ready for action.

Hall, '90, opened the programme by rendering, in fine style, "The Boatswain."

Roller skates had been brought out, and an open race on these animated contrivances occupied the attention of the onlookers. Three laps were to decide the event, and it was astonishing to see how often one gentleman examined the floor in this short distance. Won by Pritchard, '92.

Immediately after this followed the most exciting item in the evening's programme—the Church vs. the World. Six stout Theologs. declared they would pull any six picked men; they said it, and what's more, after two minutes' hard pulling, they did it, with 1½ ft. to spare.

Next came a three-legged race in three heats, the honors of which were carried off, amid much laughter and excitement, by Carmichael and Williams, '92.

J. Anderson entered and aided the lads with selections on the mouth organ, and was immediately pressed into service to play for a cotillion.

In this set the ladies, who were distinguished by having their arms draped in white, seemed to have lost all decorum and sense of propriety, and so shocked their partners that these, too, seemed affected.

MacDougall, '91, led the boys off in several College songs and choruses, making the old room ring again. So the fun went on. Noisy, but who cared?

All evening a quieter group had been gathered around the billiard-tables outside, one man retiring only to have his place filled by another. The clicking of the ivory as the red and white spheres went rolling over the green filled up the intervals, if such there were, in the hubbub going on in the adjacent room.

At 10.45 the bugle sounded, and everything had to be dropped. Reluctantly a retreat was made to the cloak-room, snow-shoes were tied on, and a start made for home. Not quite so quickly as when pursuing

the same route some five hours' earlier, but just as cheerily and noisily, the boys descended the hill. Now a turn to the left. "Where are we going?" "Dunno." Blindly the leader is followed in perfect faith, and in a few minutes Trafalgar Institute looms up ahead. With many loudly expressed wishes for "Sweet dreams, ladies," which would have aroused Satan's imps, let alone angels, the tramp once more is set in motion. Down to Dr. Murray's they go, and here again the students' National Anthem, "For he's, etc.," breaks the silence of the midnight air. In response to a kind invitation on the part of Mrs. Murray, the boys entered and entertained (?) their host and hostess with some choice and particularly novel selections. This formed a fitting close for the evening's sport, and homeward the trampers wended their way in groups of half-a-dozen, each of which seemed to hold noise at a premium. By Sunday morning the last straggler was safe in his den, better physically and mentally for his healthful recreation.

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Disappointment was felt by some members of the senior years that, owing to coincidence with previous engagements, they could not attend the Faculty tramp. To these, and to others, also, who wilfully absented themselves on Saturday, it will be comforting to know that, from the general tone of the remarks let fall on that occasion, there is every probability of the occurrence being repeated before the close of the session.

That all were satisfied with their reception and entertainment at the Club House was evinced by the prolonged cheers which greeted Mr. Pratt as he passed the trampers, homeward bound.

A SOPHT.

McGill News.

THE UNIVERSITY DINNER.

The first University Dinner of McGill, held in the large dining room of the Windsor Hotel, judging from the universal words of approval and praise heard on all sides, may be considered all in all to have been so unqualified a success as to mark, possibly, the dawn of a new social era in the life of old McGill. Including those in the gallery, nearly 400 were present, of whom ladies connected with the University formed no inconsiderable part, and lent the gathering such grace and dignity as will make their presence indispensable at all such reunions in the future.

Our generous benefactor and Chancellor, Sir Donald Smith, presided, and on either side of him were seated the guests of the evening and a long line of ladies and men, distinguished for their zeal on behalf of the University and noted in its records for their beneficence or for their untiring energy in the work of its faculties. Among them we may mention Sir William Dawson, Sir Joseph Hickson, Hon. Chief Justice Johnson, Hon. Judges Church and Wurtel, Principal Adams, J. H. R. Molson, E. B. Greenshields, Vice-Principal Johnson, Deans Craik,

Trenholme and McEachran, and among the ladies were Lady Smith, Lady Dawson, Lady Hickson, Mrs. Molson and Mrs. Greenshields, and in the body of the hall were nearly all the professors of the several faculties and a large number of distinguished graduates, many of whose wives, with the lady graduates and undergraduates of the Donalda Department, in brightly coloured costumes, lent a joy and brilliancy to the gathering in all parts of the hall.

After that part of the programme, provided by mine host of the Windsor had been disposed of, the chairman proposed the usual loyal toasts, which were received in a manner that showed McGill is by no means the least loyal of our Canadian institutions. Sir William Dawson then proposed "The University," laying special stress on the victory that has lately been achieved in the cause of higher education in the passing of the B.A. Bill. While paying an eloquent tribute to the Hon. Justice Lynch, Hon F. E. Gilman, J. S. Hall, M. P. P. and other friends of both nationalities, whose good will and zeal had brought about the success of this measure, Mr. Hall having just arrived from Quebec, entered the room and was received with an ovation which showed that the members of the University were ready to recognize the value of his efforts on behalf of the bill.

The first toast the gathering was called upon to toast was "The Queen." The Chancellor, in toasting the Governor-General, the visitor of the University, said His Excellency had regretted not being able to be present owing to press of business, but that he had promised to be present at the convocation. "The University" was also proposed by the chairman, who, in that connection, referred to the fact that hitherto the different faculties have had their dinners separately, but the thought struck some of those interested to have a dinner in which the whole University would be included. It is thus that for the first time the professors, graduates and undergraduates are gathered. The idea was a happy one, and most admirably carried out. He hoped that it would thus be annually carried out for many years to come. While the present one may not be up to the standard of perfection, the dinners will go on improving year by year, until there shall be nothing desired in McGill University's annual dinner. He said there are many gentlemen of high standing—legislators, judges,—men high in the rank of literature and art, who, though not of the University, are desirous of promoting its interests at all times. Reference to the passing of the B. A. Bill was loudly applauded. In referring to the responder to the toast, he asked who could speak so well for the University as Sir William Dawson, as one who has done so much for it in the last thirty years?

Sir William Dawson, who rose to respond to this toast, was greeted with a tremendous burst of applause. He said that he had been many times called on to respond to this time-honoured toast, but never on an occasion like the present, when the whole university, ladies as well as gentlemen, had assembled in festive mood. The ladies had become a very important and increasing element in the university. They had always been among its best benefactresses

and friends, and now, though we may not think it meet for women to wrestle with men in the dusty arena of the struggle for existence, we are enabled freely to recognize their right to the highest kinds of culture and to all the social life of the university. The present gathering leads us also to see how completely the different departments of the university in all its faculties, and from the chancellor to the junior undergraduate, are united in one great work. In its different faculties the university provides, as the *universitas literarum*, for all liberal culture, but those who are being trained for different professions are not the less its children, nor the less relations and friends of one another. We see here also that insensible gradation which leads up from the embryonic junior student to the fully developed and senior graduate, and how impossible it is to draw a line of separation between students and graduates. To us, the older members of the university, those graduates who appear here as reverend divines, learned deans of faculties, judges and legislators, college professors and eminent professional men, are the students of yesterday, and you the students of to-day are the leading men and women of to-morrow. So we hail you as the prospective victors in the battle of life, the university of the future; and more than this, the heads of society in the coming time. I may congratulate you also on entering into life under better auspices than your seniors. The means and appliances of study are being improved. Learning is becoming more valued and respected, and disabilities are being removed. A step in this direction is our at length successful struggle for the recognition of the B. A. degree, in which graduates of our university, Judge Lynch, Mr. Hall and Dr. Gilman have distinguished themselves, and Mr. Hall deserves especial and grateful mention. I regard this as not merely an educational but a moral triumph, not for us merely, but for the whole province of Quebec, and especially for its more capable and ambitious young men who desire the best preparation for the work of life. It is especially noteworthy that our cause has been sustained in the Legislature by the ablest and best men of both political parties, of both races and of both creeds. This is a guarantee that the benefit sought is not partial or invidious, but for the good of all, and it is an honourable evidence of the fact that when great public and educational interests are concerned, the leading men of this province have the magnanimity to sink the party differences which may divide them. It is an illustration to our young men that there are higher political considerations than those of party, higher public interests than those of race, and higher religious objects than those of mere creed. In this matter our province of Quebec has at length shown a good example and has earned for itself a good degree among the peoples of the world. And now permit me to be prophetic. I believe that the recognition of the B. A. is the beginning of a new educational era. It will induce many of our young men to devote some additional years to preparatory culture for professional life. It will thus tend to raise still higher the standard of the professions, and to introduce the time when our young barristers and physicians will

pride themselves on their academic culture and success, will be friends of liberal education, and will go on to take their higher degrees in arts, so that whether at home or abroad they will be recognized as men of academical standing as well as of professional eminence. This is what you are to see in the good time coming. We, the older members of the university, have had to work under less favorable conditions, and must pass away before these and other advantages resulting from recent improvements shall have been realized. But we are not disposed on this account to appear before you with the mournful cry of the old Roman gladiators—*morituri salutamus*—but rather with the exulting shout of another gladiator in a nobler arena, we would say we have fought the good fight, we are finishing our course, we wait for the victor's crown. To you, the younger members of the University, it remains, with God's helping, to achieve still greater triumphs.

After the rounds of applause which greeted Sir William's speech had subsided, the Glee Club sang "A Health to Old McGill":—

"The lights around the festal board
On glass and silver quiver;
The generous wine is freely poured,
The toast awaits the giver:
So here's a health to old McGill
With feelings proud and tender,
Let each a brimming bumper fill
And loving homage render.

CHORUS.

Another toast before we part,
Another bumper fill boys;
A toast that comes from every heart,
A health to old McGill boys."

Mr. Trenholme, Q.C., Dean of the Faculty of Law, then proposed the toast of "The Undergraduates," as follows:—

Mr. Chancellor: Ladies and Gentlemen,—the toast which I rise to propose, to the undergraduates of McGill, is a toast, which I am sure, we all agree is of a most comprehensive and interesting character, for it includes not only the students of the three old faculties, of Law, Medicine and Arts, but also the students in the new and prosperous faculties of Applied Science and Comparative Medicine, and above all, students of that full one-half of humanity, the ladies, heretofore excluded from our halls, but now representing the Donalda Department, and doubling by themselves or their attractions the number of students in Arts within the past five years. It is impossible to express the thoughts that arise from the contemplation of the future possibilities and certainties connected with such a large body of the choice and ardent youth of our country of both sexes, and as for their importance that is manifest from the fact that they constitute the element for which professors, endowments, museums and all else exist.

Let me in the first place congratulate all connected with the University, on the great triumph just achieved for higher education in this Province by the passage of the B. A. Bill, at Quebec, and which was ably promoted and carried through by Mr. Hall, M.P.P., one of our own graduates, in the Legislative

Assembly, and by the Hon. Mr. Gilman, another of our graduates, in the Legislative Council. I think we should here specially express our thanks to the French Canadian gentlemen, and among them to Mr. Robidoux, M.P.P., and Mr. Lareau, M.P.P., for their earnest and eloquent support of the measure, this year and last, in face of the fact that an overwhelming majority of their fellow-countrymen were opposed to the Bill. Let us do honor to the men who exhibited such moral courage and gave such generous and effective aid. The act does honor to the entire legislature and will not be readily forgotten. It is in order also to congratulate you, undergraduates, on the great advantages you now here possess for improving the golden opportunities of youth, compared with those enjoyed by undergraduates in my day, twenty-five or thirty years ago. Then the Faculty of Arts was practically without any library, except possibly as many books as would load an ordinary wheel-barrow: now you have a fine library of thirty thousand volumes, and daily increasing at a rapid rate. You have also the magnificent Redpath Museum, which then had no existence, and you have apparatus and appliances of every kind which were unknown to former undergraduates. Above all, I congratulate the Faculty of Arts in opening its doors to ladies; and the ladies of Montreal by their generous gifts to McGill certainly acquired the right to have their sex admitted into the University, so that the sisters of our young men might enjoy the same educational advantages here as their brothers. There is nothing, however, on which you undergraduates in Arts are to be more congratulated, or for which we all should be more thankful, than the large number of the old staff of the Faculty of Arts that are still with us. I refer to our revered Principal and the Dean of the Faculty of Arts, the senior professor of Classics and the Professor of French: may they long be spared in health and vigour to guide and direct your studies. It is the more gratifying when we think of the terrible harvest of noble and devoted friends of the University which the great reaper has gathered from among us during the past twenty-five years, among the governors, the deans and professors of our faculties and the officers of the University.

Among the advantages which you undergraduates here enjoy there is no better educator than the history of your own University, of the devotion, the efforts and the self-sacrifice and the generous open-handed liberality of the men, and women too, who have made McGill the great Institution she is to-day. Let us learn the history of their efforts and never forget to honor and feel gratitude to those who have done so much for us and their country. To have built up such an Institution without state or public aid of any kind, by the private efforts and liberality of the citizens of Montreal, is among the most honorable incidents in the history of Canada. Let me now say to the undergraduates that we entertain great hopes of your future. We hope that hereafter, at future University dinners, it will be said that among you many have been found who, as scientific inquirers and discoverers, have extended the bounds of human knowledge; many who have notably applied such knowledge to the develop-

ment of the resources and civilization of the country; many who have enriched the literature of our young nationality with works of lasting merit. It is our hope that all this may be said of you; but be that as it may, we are certain that from your ranks must come our future teachers and professors, our future professional men, judges, legislators and statesmen! it is certain that on you must devolve the rightful discharge of all these. You are to be congratulated on the field open before you for the exercise of your talents and training in this young country just bursting into new national life. You may not all be successful as success is commonly counted, but you can all do better, you can merit success and attain to that higher success which comes from earnest and honest manly and womanly effort.

This brings me, Mr. Chancellor, to my toast, and I invite you all to drink to the health of the undergraduates of McGill University, and when their undergraduate days are past, wherever one of them is to be found, there may there be found one fully equipped for the work of life, considerate of others, yet unfaltering in the right, and if a lady graduate, superadded to these, there may there be in a special degree a centre of that elevating, refining and benign influence which it is the mission of woman to exercise on earth.

To this toast Mr. Peers Davidson responded for Arts, as follows:—

Mr. Chancellor, Ladies and Gentlemen,—I greatly regret that my fellow-student, chosen to reply for the Faculty of Arts this evening, is unable to do so. I sympathise with him in his illness, with you in missing an eloquent address, and with both you and myself in my incompetency to fill the breach. It is a pleasing duty on my part to assert that the Faculty of Arts is the keystone of the University. Let us hope that the representatives about to follow me will not consider it a necessity, a mere matter of duty, to make like assertions in regard to their faculties. You will, no doubt, be told this evening either that the study of musty law books acts like a balm upon the soul, or that the investigation of the human anatomy is a task of a most interesting and enlightening character, or even that the "*summum bonum*" is to be attained by tramping through bogs and morasses with a heavy surveying instrument over the shoulder. These may be all very well in their way, but in *our* Faculty is found that culture necessary for the perfect practice of all professions. It gives a basis upon which to found further work, and places within a man's power the means of approaching that perfect knowledge which is the recognition of the vastness of God's universe. Some of our subjects of study may seemingly be of little practical value to us in after life; nevertheless, they leave their intellectual mark behind them, and in some way or other tend to aid men in battling with the difficulties of life. He would indeed be a sorry lawyer who had not some knowledge of Latin, Philosophy, Logic and the principles of Rhetoric; the physician would be almost powerless without his chemistry; while it may be said that mathematics lie at the very threshold of an engineer's training. Ladies and gentlemen, the learn-

ing of an *ideal* Arts man is simply prodigious. He can converse with you fluently in French or German; toy with Greek and Latin idioms; confound you in discussions on the abstract questions of Ontology and the moral life; confuse you in his references to such of his favorites as Schlegel, Schopenhauer, Schorlemmer, Schützenberger and Schwegler; describe for you the anomalistic revolution of the moon; find for you the center of gravity of any body, without at the same time losing his own; and to crown all he will enumerate to you the various stages of biological evolution through which you have passed since you left the primordial protoplasmic cell. And yet the course seems to be a healthy one, for we find the numerical strength of the Faculty gradually increasing, and our worthy Dean tells me that in the past two years fifty additional students have been added to its roll. Seemingly not content with the blessings which she has already bestowed upon us, Fortune has given us yet another cause for self-congratulation. For the Faculty of Arts alone, of all McGill's branches, can boast the presence of ladies within her walls. Would they had a better champion this evening, for a speaker cannot be too eloquent in their behalf. In proof of the extent of the gallantry of the male students, we find them actually giving up some of the foremost places on examination lists to the ladies. Nevertheless, we are together seeking the same goal—namely, the attainment of those things which all can alike possess, and in respect of which one man's wealth tends to enhance his neighbor's.

Ladies and Gentlemen, I sincerely thank you for your kind remembrance of the Faculty of Arts.

D. J. Evans responded, on behalf of Medicine, as follows:—

Mr. Chairman, Ladies, and Gentlemen,—I rise to speak for a Faculty, which, out of a delicate sense of consideration for the previous speaker, I will not call the "finest Faculty," but at least *the oldest Faculty* of McGill. Our Faculty is conspicuous to-night, conspicuous by her absence. In explanation I would say that when the matter of a University Dinner was brought before us, we, after deliberation, decided to let it stand over, at least for this session. I believe Science and Arts followed the same course. We then arranged for and held our Faculty Dinner early in December, and so could not take part in the University Dinner also. I hope when those whom I have the honor to represent, hear how the tables on this occasion have been beautified by the presence of some of Canada's fairest flowers, they will be only too happy, on some future occasion, to come and enjoy their fragrance along with the other Faculties of Old McGill. I thank you, in the name of the undergraduates in Medicine, for the hearty way in which you have received this toast.

Mr. Vipond, on behalf of the Faculty of Law, in responding to the toast, brought before the minds of his hearers the great changes that civilization had wrought in Canada, and then pointed out how the principles of law were now invoked in the settlement of international disputes, and were displacing the weapons of war. Mr. Vipond was opposed to women entering the profes-

sion of Law, lest their charms should prove more effective than facts and sound reasoning, and the great treasures of legal lore be invoked in vain against a more subtle force. He referred to the vast wealth of legal literature that had been growing long before the world had necessity for Arts and Science students, and how the then greatest systems of Roman, English and French law had been incorporated into and formed our civil law. Mr. Vipond paid a tribute of honour to the great legal minds of Doutre, Dorion, Meredith, Cartier and Kerr, and concluded with an appeal to his fellow students to do their duty in life by striving to maintain justice and right.

Mr. A. E. Shuttleworth, on behalf of Applied Science, as follows:—

Mr. Chancellor, Ladies, and Gentlemen,—In speaking as a representative of my fellow-students, it affords me great assistance to know just where those for whom I am speaking are situated; and in previously glancing my eye down these tables I was glad to find that, on this as upon all other favorable opportunities, a very fair number of the Science boys are awake to a proper appreciation of the true poetry of social life. Your presence there, I find, has, during this enjoyable evening, occasionally necessitated on my part a little anxiety; but, however, I know you are right good fellows, and do mean well. To represent fully the Faculty to which I have the honor to belong, would require a combination of ingenious qualities seldom the possession of one individual. A combination in its nature profoundly mathematical, inventive, imaginative, highly chemical, having an intense interest in the resemblances and differences of all living creatures, and of all inorganic matter. It would require, beside, a wide-awake student spirit, fond of College sports and intent to win. These qualities, and these alone, would enable me to fully represent the spirit of the Science Faculty. But though I speak for you, we do not regard you separated and alone, but as an important factor of one great united whole. It is in this respect that I love to think of my Faculty, and of the University to which we belong. It is in this respect that she is to make the most of what she possesses, and thereby incite influence and power to assist her earnest efforts. The Science Faculty in McGill is a particularly interesting one. Those who, since its establishment, have been more intimately connected with its work and progress, will, I believe, say with me that its important interest has been regularly and actively increasing both within and without the University. Never before has that interest been greater than now, when, notwithstanding the already recent extensions and improvements—the achievements of most generous gifts—in contemplation of the still greater Workman extension, equaling anything on this continent, our Dean is abroad to-day. May you, for whom I am speaking, when you have passed beyond the immediate control and influence of McGill's regulations and instruction, retain throughout your active life, that liberal educational spirit, that determined, robust fair play which distinguish Science of McGill as champions upon the field of College sports, and as students within her educational walls. Knowing, Mr. Chan-

cellor, that to encroach for one moment upon the time of those who are to follow, is to forfeit for ever my privilege of again speaking at McGill's Annual Banquets, therefore these few remarks must suffice. In conclusion, allow me, on behalf of my fellow-students, to express our sincere appreciation for the cordial manner in which the toast was proposed to the Undergraduates.

Mr. Darling, on behalf of the Faculty of Comparative Medicine :—

Mr. President, Ladies, and Gentlemen,—It gives me great pleasure to be present this evening as the representative of the Undergraduates of the Faculty of Comparative Medicine. Being a new Faculty, our relations with our Sister Faculties are not yet as intimate as we would desire, but we hope, as time goes on, to become better acquainted, and also to form an important branch of the University. Although a young Faculty as regards forming part of the University, the school has been in existence for nearly twenty-five years, and we can point with pride to some of the most successful veterinary surgeons in America; this, in a great measure, has been due to the assistance and encouragement received from the Faculty of Medicine. The additional advantages to be derived from the change, will aid in placing our profession in the position to which it is entitled, and I am sure that the Graduates of this Faculty will always maintain the reputation held by Graduates of McGill, wherever they are found. As regards the assertion of the able representative of Arts, that they were the only Faculty admitting ladies to their course, I am sure that if the ladies apply to the Faculty of Comparative Medicine, that they will be received with open arms. The boast of Science, that they hold the championship in the field of sports, is misleading as regards base ball; this was fully demonstrated by a few of Our Americans on the Campus last fall. Thanking you for the kind manner in which you received this toast.

In asking Chief Justice Johnson to propose the toast of the "Graduates," Sir Donald Smith referred to the recent honor which has been so justly conferred on Justice Johnson.

Justice Johnson, in proposing the toast, said that the good words uttered by Sir Donald were heartily reciprocated by him, than whom he acknowledged no truer or warmer friend. The Hon. Judge went on to express his sincere pleasure in being present at such a notable gathering of the members of the University, and that though not of them, he well recollected the early struggling days of McGill and could enter into the feelings of pride that the members of the University must feel in the success that had been achieved. He spoke of the distinguished literary and scientific position attained by the Principal of the University, of the important additions he has made to the literature of the world, more especially in the discussion on the relation of science and religion. He, the speaker, came to this country when a mere boy, when McGill University was not known, when the will of the founder was still before the courts of justice in dispute. He had, with the imperfect education and without the advantages his hearers had of

a university education, to grind his way as best he could to such a position as had happily led at last to something like success. Whether deserved or not, others might judge. It was achieved when this country was in the throes of political trouble of the darkest description; it was achieved in days when this country was plunged in rebellion; it was achieved in days when there was no university and hardly any English education in this province, except one or two schools. These were trials and difficulties to which those present at that gathering would never be exposed, and he mentioned these things not to eulogize himself but to encourage his hearers. He could not but reflect upon the career of McGill University. At the outset a cry was raised at the nomination of the late Mr. Ferrier as chancellor. This and like matters were the difficulties which had to be contended with by a community struggling in its first efforts for commercial life. He also remembered when McGill college had no professors, and when it was in the hands of one or two most excellent gentlemen, who were hampered by want of means. Remembering these things he could not but congratulate the graduates of the university on the great change which had taken place. For fifty years he had been a spectator of the career of McGill, and if there was one thing more than another he would say to the graduates, it was that they had reason to be proud that it was a Canadian university. It was founded upon Canadian patriotism, benevolence and generosity. In addressing an assembly like that he could not but allude to the pleasure he felt at knowing he was addressing graduates of both sexes. Some years ago there were those who wrote against the higher education of women, and pointed out that if they received an education to fit them for higher callings they would have to take higher responsibilities. He could only say that if they were willing to avail themselves of the profession he represented, so far as he was concerned they were perfectly welcome to do so. No man or no woman could be any the worse for the best education it was in their power to obtain, provided it were properly used.

Mr. John S. Hall, jr., M.P.P., was called on, and first made some remarks on the successful passage of the B.A. Bill. He spoke of the great assistance received from both nationalities. In that connection he mentioned the names of Mercier, Taillon, Robidoux, Larue, Tessier, Casgrain, Flynn, Nantel and others. A large amount of the work fell on Mr. Gilman and others. He then made some remarks as a graduate in Arts and Law, and made some reference to the standing of them in the world's arena.

Hon. Judge Church received quite an ovation on rising to respond. He said that although he happened to be a governor of McGill he wished it to be understood that he was not going to speak there as a governor but as one of the alumni. It was now thirty-six years since he first enrolled his name on the college books. At that time there were two faculties, arts and medicine. There was no library, no museum, nothing but a piece of land with two or three buildings upon it, which were apparently falling into decay. All that was now changed. The

faculty of arts now had a reputation equal to any in the Dominion, and the medical faculty had no peer on the North American continent. He had seen the birth of the faculty of comparative science, which had grown from insignificant proportions to be one of the most popular and successful faculties of the university. How much of this was due to the generous munificence of the people of Montreal and to the efforts of the professors and others connected with the faculty he need not then speak of. The university was a Montreal institution, and it owed its existence to the munificence of a Montreal merchant. Throughout its whole history it had received the cordial support and sympathy of this great commercial metropolis.

The toast of "Sister Universities" was proposed by Principal MacVicar, of the Presbyterian College. He said he was speaking of a numerous sisterhood. They are not too numerous as centres of education; there is room for all the work they can do and much more. There is no quarrel among them, their aim is the same, although some pay more attention to some branches than others. He thought there was a great future in store for Canada, and also for McGill and all other universities. Let there be a national spirit among them all. Universities and colleges are dependent on common and high schools. These are not as efficient as he would like them to be, but there has been a great improvement.

Principal Adams, of the University of Bishop's College, Lennoxville, responded. He referred to the toast as a far-reaching one in Canada. He regretted that Sir Daniel Wilson was not present to respond to the toast, as was expected. He thought it the proper time to tell them that the smaller universities are in perfect harmony in their appreciation of the greatness of McGill. He made reference to the passage of the B.A. Bill, and said that the influence of a sister university, Laval, should not be forgotten in that connection.

Letters expressing regret at inability to attend were received from Sir Daniel Wilson, Toronto; Principal Grant, Kingston; Mr. Mulock, M.P., Principal Forrest, Dalhousie College, Halifax; and Principal Burwash, Victoria University, Cobourg; and from the following Governors of the University:—Sir A. T. Galt, LL.D.; John Molson, Esq.; Hon. J. J. C. Abbott, D.C.L.; Hugh McLennan, Esq.; George Hague, Esq.; Samuel Finley, Esq.

During the earlier part of the evening Silverstein's orchestra rendered some excellent selections, and later, between the toasts, the newly organized Glee Club, under the leadership of Professor Bohrer, gave some selections of vocal music from the McGill Song Book; in several of the pieces the voices of lady and male undergraduates being blended with excellent effect. The rendering of this important part of the programme showed clearly the progress that has been made in vocal culture in McGill since the formation of the Club. On a future occasion it is to be hoped they will render some of the hearty choruses contained in the song book.

About midnight the most successful social event in the University's career was brought to a close by the

singing of the National Anthem. Despite the lateness of the hour the enthusiastic undergraduates, with not a few of the graduates, extemporised an informal programme, consisting of choruses, rather more heartily than correctly sung, and impromptu speeches from the representatives from Queen's and Bishop's Universities, whose welcome prevented their being heard, and from leading students of the several faculties.

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It might be noticed that all the students in the third and fourth years of Science, with the exception of one in each, subscribed to the dinner.

College World.

Miss Hodges, who was recently appointed instructor in the university at Lund, is the first woman ever employed as a teacher in a Swedish University.

Dr. King, an American lady physician in China, lately astonished the natives by performing with success a delicate and difficult surgical operation. She is now chief physician to the family of Count Li, the eminent statesman in Shanghai whose wife she saved. The Empress of China recently sent her son to consult Dr. King for phthisis. China is said to offer an excellent field for woman doctors.

VICTORIA'S INDIAN PROFITS.

The Queen pays more than \$10,000,000 a year out of the profits of her Indian farm for the education of her tenants. There are at Bombay, Madras and Calcutta great universities on the model of the University of London, and the whole of India is dotted with colleges and schools. The universities have more than 2,000 native students, and the professorships include law, medicine, engineering and the classics.

In addition to these there are ninety-six colleges in British India, containing nearly 9,000 students, and as to academies and public schools their name is legion. There are now schools for the teaching of English in every district, but it will yet be generations before education can be spread throughout the people, and only then will India be happy.

Connected with the popular indignation in England over the change from the Julian to the Gregorian Calendar. When the son of Lord Macclesfield was standing for Parliament in the County of Oxford, the rabble greeted his appearance with the taunting words—"Give us back, you rascal, the eleven days which your father stole from us."

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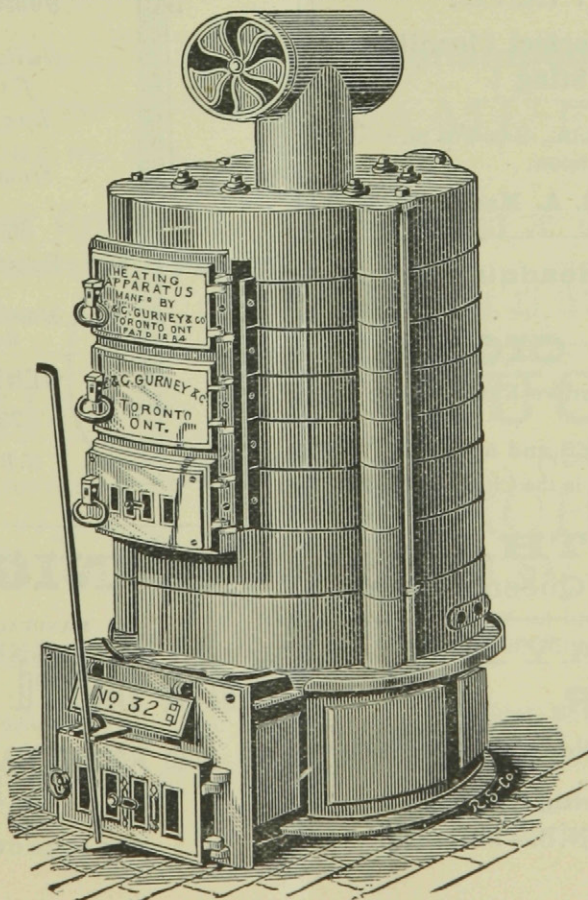
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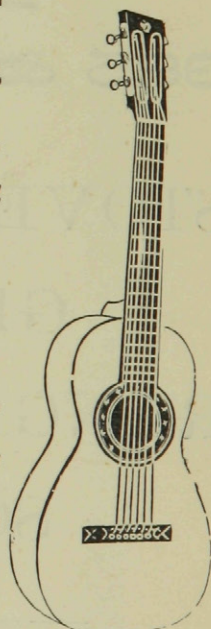
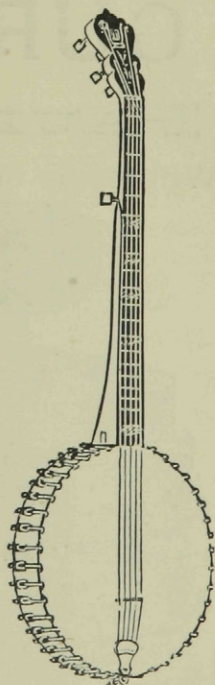
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